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11 Feb 63

MEMORANDUM

TO : IS

FROM : PW

SUBJECT: Capture of MDC Counterrevolutionaries in Cuba

SOURCE : AMIGGY-1

1. Additional information furnished by Borta FERRER to Source re capture of MDC group in Cuba:

- a. The MDC general coordinator in Cuba uses war names "Abel" and "Omar".
- b. The informant who passed previous info to brother-in-law of Berta FERRER also stated that he travelled by car from Oriente to Havana just before leaving Cuba and that he saw a "lot of army equipment, consisting of tanks and heavy trucks, near Mayari, Cuba".
- 2. LUCAS, the head of the MDC faction under the CRC, told Source that he had spoken with 'Olga" in Cuba on 3 Feb 63 and she said the younger people had been captured but not the older people. LUCAS took this to mean that the leaders had not been captured.
- 3. Dr. MIRO Cardona's secretary, "Nena" informed A-1 that LUCAS passed on to her the news that LUCAS had heard on 9 Feb 63 of the capture and imprisonment of "Olga" in Havana, along with other MDC leaders throughout the island. "Olga" is described as "second to LUCAS", or "LUCAS Plus". It is feared that there will now be many more arrests, as Olga knew many people involved with the MDC. Few people knew that Olga was second to LUCAS, but one of the few who did know was the general coordinator in Cuba, "Abel". However, LUCAS still does not believe that "Abel" is a CASTRO agent and responsible for the many arrests, as LUCAS stated "he had worked with Abel for two years now".

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